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SUBJECT: VISIT TO USA OF ITALIAN CABLE TV COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS OF SPECIAL PTT COMMITTEE VISITING WASHINGTON ARE:

1. PROF. FRANCO CAPPUCCINI OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NAPLES,
MEMBER OF ITALIAN TELECOMMUNICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN
OF ITALIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CABLE TELEVISION.
2. MR. GIANPAOLO BILLA, VICE DIRECTOR FOR TECHNICAL PLANNING OF
RAI (RADIO TELEVISIONE ITALIANA).
3. MR. VITTORINO BUSSINI, CHIEF OF THE TECHNICAL CONTROL DE-
PARTMENT OF THE STATE TELEPHONE SERVICE (ASST - AZIENDA DI STATO
PERI SERVIZI TELEFONICI), RESPONSIBLE FOR LONG DISTANCE
TELEPHONE CALLS.
4. MR. MARIO LARI, DIRECTOR FOR TECHNICAL PLANNING OF RAI.
5. MR. PIETRO MASARATI, VICE DIRECTOR OF COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT
OF STET (ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TELECOMMUNICATIONS HOLDING COMPANY).
6. MR. GINO ORSINI, CONSULTANT TO SIP (SOCIETA' ITALIANA PER
L'ESERCIZIO TELEFONICO), NATIONWIDE TELEPHONE COMPANY CONTROLLING
ALL LOCAL TELEPHONE CALLS).
7. MR. STELIO BUZZELLI, CENTRAL DIRECTORATE OF SIP.

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8. MR. AUGUSTO ROMAGNOI, DIRECTOR OF NEW SERVICES DEPARTMENT

OF SIP.

9. MR. GREGORIO SARACO, VICE DIRECTOR OF MAINTENANCE OF ASST.

FYI: WHEN WE TOLD MASARATI ABOUT DOBBIN LUNCH, MASERATI EMPHASIZED THAT COMMITTEE VISIT TO WASHINGTON WAS A TECHNICAL FACT FINDING MISSION, NOT A COMMERCIAL ONE. MOREOVER SINCE THE COMMITTEE WAS A SEMIAOFFICIAL ONE, PROF. CAPPUCCINI, WAS ANXIOUS TO AVOID ANY MEETING WHICH HAD THE FLAVOR OF GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT ("POLITICAL LEVEL") DISCUSSIONS. EMBOFF ASSURED MASARATI THAT DOBBIN LUNCH WAS TO BE LOW-KEY AFFAIR, LIMITED TO AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. END FYI. WE BELIEVE THAT LUNCHEON NONETHELESS WILL HAVE THE DESIRED EFFECT OF CLEARLY DEMONSTRATING STRONG USG INTEREST.VOLPE

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